DOGS IN AMERICA GROWING IN FAVOR.

What Treasures Have Been Lately Drawn from Abroad.

SOME HIGH PRICED BEAUTIES

Canine Aristocrats with a Lineage of Nine Centuries.

Few people except those interested in dogs can fail to note the enormous increase in popularity during the past few years of well bred dogs.

Of course, a great deal of this popularity is due to the increasing interest a country life affords both men and women. To own a country place and have no dogs there would rob that country place of half its

Though dogs can be perfectly happy and at home in the city, it is in the country that they endear them



selves to their owners. Companions of one's walks, rides and drives-always alive and keen to take part in what is going on-appreciating friends-always ready to combat foes-good guards of life and property-who can help loving the companionship of a dog? In a city a dog may possibly be troublesome and out of place, but in the country he is a companion and a friend.

Although a our of low degree and indifferent ap-pearance and very uncertain pedigree may be a de-voted companion and stanch friend, still, every man prefers if possible that his canine have a certain amount of good blood in his veins, even though he be not entirely pure bred.

It is this ambition, as well as the incentive set by the dog shows, that has caused so many men of recent



years to import well bred and prize dogs to this

A large number of men have noticed the increased demand for well bred dogs and have sent to England for the best that could be found, regardless of ex-pense, and the consequence is that we have now dogs in this country that could not be equalled in the

The aggregation of prize winners at the West-minster Kennel Club show is a matter of marvel to those who saw the dog show held in this country in the year of the Philadelphia exposition, and which was nearly the first held here. Not only have the numbers enormously increased, but the quality is so



much better that hardly a dog that took a first prize at that show would be able to do so now.

Any price is paid for good dogs, particularly those winning prizes in England. Five and even eight thousand dollars have been offered and paid for St. Bernards. The price of fox terriers, despite their size, has reached \$1,500. A collic has been bought for three times that sum. Many of these dogs have never been seen again on the show beach, having been purchased by their present owners because they wished to have good dogs about their places and had no objections to paying good prices for them.

A great many gentlemen, on the other hand, have started breeding farms. They have spent large sums in importing and purchasing in this country the very best dogs that meney could buy. They are dependent on the public for the interest on their outlay, as the public porchases the dogs to be sold.

A number of men have collected a kennel of dogs



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Af one breed or another that could not be equalled in the world. They have ridden their hobby hard and not spared expense in any way. Most of these men have already placed their business on a renumerative basis. Almost every breed is now represented in this country, though of course, some are a great deal more popular than others.

THE ST. HERNARD.

The most popular and fashionable breeds of dogs, and deservedly so, is the St. Bernard.

It is only in the last few years that this dog has become so well known to us in person. The St. Bernard dog lives in the minds of most people with a small berrel of whiskey or brandy tied around his throat, attached to which is a beil. I expect, to a good many who go to the shows, an animal without this arrangement would not be the true article—a train of thought being influenced by the desirability of the contents of the barrel. In the pictures that are usually seen of the St. Bernard, this animal is resuling impossible travellers in the snow.

Hogis Datalel, in his book on the St. Bernard, say that the first authentic case of an imported St. Bernard into England was the one known as the Leasone bath the first authentic case of an imported St. Bernard into England was the one known as the Leasone bath the first authentic case of an imported St. Bernard into England was the one known as the Leasone bath the first authentic case of an imported St. Bernard into England was the one known as the Leasone bath the first authentic case of an imported St. Bernard into England was the one known as the Leasone bath the first authentic case of an imported St. Bernard into England was the one known as the Leasone bath the first authentic case of an imported St. Bernard into England was the one known as the Leasone bath at the first and the state of the St. Bernard.

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"DUCHESS OF RIPPLE" AND "ROSEMARY"



An attempt was made to co

Cleopairia, belonging to Mr. Danniel Mann. Appaiona, belonging to Mr. John Keván, who also owns Halloween and the champion Flora II., recently sold by Lorenzo Daniels.

The bloodheund is a dog test seldom seen in this country. It was only during the last few years that this mujestic animal has been, seen at shows. What is the date of the first mendion of the bloodhound is hard to tell. Mr. Winchell of Furritaev, Vt., owns quite a kennel of these dogs now, having bought those sent over by Mr. Brough and some others.

Mr. James Mortimer has always made special endeavors to induce owners of bloodhounds to exhibit their dogs, but his effor's have not met with the sent over four, one of which had been used in the endeavor to trate Jack the Ripper. This year Messrs. Brough and Winchell exhibited, and a new exhibitor turned up in the person of Mr. Singdon,

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The coming bench of collies at the coming show in February promises to be by far the best we have yet seen, and the appearance of Christopher would be halled with interest. He is the highest priced collie in the world, but he unfortunately remains at the branch of the Chesimut Hill Kennels in England.

Bull terriers have hardly increased in numbers, if



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very promising youngsters in Biemton Racket and Blemton Egbert. Mr. C. L. Wilton in Suffolk Risk has a good one, and the Messrs Rutherfurd with Warren Laird and Warren Sabre are likely to come to the



WHEN THE POLICE GET LEFT.

Foggs-Look at that diamond! And the wearer

are:—Cora, whelped in 1887, belonging to Mr. A. Relrew Laidlaw. La Duchesse, belonging to Mr. L. E. Hept. of the Hospice Kennels. Lady Livings.one, Lady Metrone and Miranda, belonging to Mr. E. H. Moore. Saffron and Reclines, also belonging to E. H. Moore. Tanai, belonging to Mr. E. F. Heckwith. Lady Wellington, Plevina, Eilen Tierry, Jael and Lady Aveline, belonging to the Wyoming Kennels.

Mr. E. B. Sears owns Plinifimmon, Jr., the grand dog that took second price at the New York show last spring. Heeper, who won the open class for rough could St. Dermids, belongs to Mr. E. B. Sears, and he will be heard from again. King Lemm, who was bred by Mr. Sears, is a promising dog, and Mr. C. A. Houck will doubtless win several prizes with him. Donald, who is hy Valour, out of Dutch, belongs to Miss E. H. Cushman. He took second prizes to Mr. Sears' Heeper, beating a large class, among whom were such good dogs as



constant into England was the one known as the Leasuwe lastle dog, a painting of which is in the possession of the Cost family. The dog resembles the English manifi more than the present St. Bernard.

The origin of the St. Bernard dog seems to be somewhat nixed. The original dog owned by the well known monk, St. Bernard, resembled the blood-sound a great deal more than the present St. Bernard schmowledged to be true St. Bernards still exhibit some of the most marked bloodhound characteristics. Stonchings says that haif a century sgo the monks sot all their dogs and the breed was only preserved by two dogs being returned to them which they had previously given away.

"Idstone," who is an acknowledged authority, says hat the breed has undergone wonderful changes in the said fifty years. A virialent distemper at one time arrived off all the dogs of the St. Bernard breed but me, which was crossed with a Pyreneesan wolf hound. PRODUCT OF SING CENTURIES.

It nine centuries there must have been instanced of crossing, as it would have been instanced of the structure of the same of the same time of the same of the

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